

Office of the Mayor City of Tukwila, Washington

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, To Commemorate 120 Years of Korean Immigration to the United States; and

WHEREAS, On January 13, 1903 the first Korean immigrants arrived in the United States. These first immigrants and their descendants faced and overcame difficult conditions and created a vibrant and successful community that has fought for our nation's freedom and democratic way of life and has been characterized by a strong and diligent work ethic, a value for education, and an entrepreneurial spirit; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that we celebrate and honor Korean immigration to the United States, the State of Washington and the City of Tukwila and recognize the Korean American community's invaluable contributions to our rich cultural diversity, economic strength and proud heritage; and

WHEREAS, Achievements and contributions of Korean Americans can be seen throughout the Nation and Washington State in business, academia, arts, science, engineering, medicine, literature, journalism, government, the military and numerous other areas;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Allan Ekberg, Mayor of the City of Tukwila, do hereby proclaim January 13, 2023 as:

Korean American Day

in the City of Tukwila and encourage all community residents to join me in recognizing this special observance.

Presented this 13th day of January, 2023.

Allan Ekberg, Mayor